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Applicant

Seeman, P.

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Title

METHOD FOR TREATING ASPECTS OF ALCOHOLISM,

ADDICTION AND PSYCHOSES

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PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 C. F. R. § 1.117 (h)

Sir:

This is a Petition to Make Special the above-identified patent application. The grounds and conditions for granting this application special status are found in MPEP 708.02 XII, entitled "SPECIAL STATUS FOR APPLICATIONS RELATING TO BIOTECHNOLOGY FILED BY APPLICANTS WHO ARE SMALL ENTITIES".

The Petition Fee (\$130.00) required pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 (h) is enclosed.

The Applicant submits herewith an executed Small Entity Declaration establishing small entity status for the present application.

The Applicant submits that there is an urgent medical and societal need for the technology in the present application. The prevalence of alcoholism is high, and

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the suffering and direct costs associated with alcoholism are also high, exceeding

billions in the U.S.A. alone.

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The Applicant further submits that the development of the technology

covered in the present application would be severely impaired if examination is delayed.

This is due to the fact that, based on the biochemical data in the application, both

animal and human trials are urgently needed. Such trials cannot be done without

significant financial investment. Financial investment in small ventures is dependent on

the strength of the Intellectual Property of those ventures. Financial backers would be

more willing to invest in the Applicant's technology if patent protection was available to

prevent others from making and using this technology.

Applicant is seeking expeditious patent protection to facilitate investment

in their technology and therefore to fund animal and clinical trials which will allow the

technology to be available for the benefit of the public. Accordingly, the Applicant

requests that this Petition to Make Special be granted and the application undergo

accelerated examination.

Consideration of this request is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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